

September 20, 1974

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Intelligence Subcommittee

SUBJECT: Study Plan and Study Group

Pending the formation of the Subcommittee for National Security and Intelligence, the staff proceeded with plans for review of intelligence matters pertinent to the Commission's mandate and initiated research studies on several aspects of the subject to be ready for a study group's deliberation. The Study Plan, including a short outline of the research now underway, is enclosed.

If the Subcommittee approves the concept, a Study Group should be formed comprised of the Subcommittee members supplemented by five or six knowledgeable public citizens. It is presumed that, although the function of Intelligence in the Government involves many technical matters and much that is highly classified, the deliberations of the Subcommittee, and indeed of the Commission as a whole, will be greatly enhanced by the participation of a variety of distinguished private citizens who can bring to the discussion differing backgrounds of experience and views. Specialists and experts can be marshalled to provide support. A "fresh" approach may indeed be the important contribution the Commission can make in this area.

A suggested composition of the Study Group is set forth in a memorandum enclosed.

The Subcommittee should bear in mind that for a number of years the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, (PFIAB) composed of private citizens, has existed to advise the President on Intelligence matters and has had the Intelligence Community under constant review. The Subcommittee clearly does not want to duplicate the work of PFIAB nor fail to use the fruits of its deliberations. On the other hand, the Commission's mandate would probably indicate that the nature of PFIAB and the contribution that it has made should be explored by the Subcommittee, even as it is examining comparable advisory boards and commissions for such other important functions as

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aid, cultural affairs, foreign information and arms control.
The present membership of PFIAB is as follows:

Anderson, George W., Jr.
Baker, William O.
Cherne, Leo
Connally, John B.
Poster, John S., Jr.
Galvin, Robert W.
Gray, Gordon
Land, Edwin H.
Luce, Clare Boothe
Rockefeller, Nelson A.
Teller, Edward

At some stage the Study Group will probably want to meet with
PFIAB.

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